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Mr. Paul DePalco, Jr.  
Regional Administrator  
U. S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Region IX  
100 California Street  
San Francisco, California 94111

Dear Mr. DePalco:

Enclosed for your review and comment are copies of the drafts of amendments to the Hawaii Water Quality Standards and Water Pollution Control Regulations which were developed pursuant to Public Law 92-500.

Chapter 37-A, Water Quality Standards, has been revised in an attempt to comply with the changes to our interstate and intrastate Water Quality Standards required by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972 as transmitted to this office by your agency.

We are proposing to delete Chapter 37, Water Pollution Control, and institute Chapter 45, Water Pollution Control, since amendments to our existing water pollution control regulations are significant. The proposed Chapter 45 has been developed essentially in accordance with the Federal Register entitled, "State Program Elements Necessary for Participation in the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)" for the purpose of receiving approval of the state program elements necessary for participation in the NPDES.

Notice for public hearings to consider the enclosed regulations will be published through the newspaper media as soon as comments are received by your agency but no later than June 29, 1973. We, therefore, would appreciate your expeditious review of the proposed regulations.

Very sincerely,

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Enclosures

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